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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re application of

Docket No: Q45980

Hisashi YAMAGISHI, et al.

Appln. No.: 08/898,853

Group Art Unit: 3711

Confirmation No.: 6473

Examiner: Raeann Gorden

Filed: July 25, 1997

For: MULTI-PIECE SOLID GOLF BALL

REQUEST TO POSTPONE ORAL HEARING

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Appellant respectfully requests that the Oral Hearing presently schedule for November 18, 2004 be postpone due to the need for Appellant's legal representative being out of the country.

On September 14, 2004, Appellant's counsel prepared and filed Confirmation of Attendance At Oral Hearing, confirming the Oral Hearing date of November 18, 2004. However, subsequent to this submission confirming November 18, 2004 date, Appellant's counsel is required to travel out of the country for a business meeting. Appellant's counsel cannot cancel or postpone this business meeting, as it involves many other attendees.

In addition, the undersigned representative is unable to find other counsel to attend the Oral Hearing on the Appellant's behalf. The undersigned representative has served as counsel for the Appellant in this matter for the past several years. The undersigned representative is the only person familiar with the issues on appeal for purposes of attending the Oral Hearing. Thus, another attorney within the same firm cannot be present at and argue the Oral Hearing.

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Accordingly, Appellant's legal representative respectfully request the Board to reschedule the Oral Hearing to a time subsequent to November 23, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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